

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1-6. (Cancelled).

7. (Currently amended) A golf club head comprising an outer shell member, a hollow portion surrounded by the outer shell member and a columnar neck member having a shaft insertion hole into which a golf club shaft is inserted, the hole being closed at a hollow portion side of the columnar neck member, wherein:

an inner surface of the hollow portion includes either or both of a concave surface and a flat surface, an inner surface of the closed shaft insertion hole forms a continuous surface with either or both of said concave and flat surfaces and the entire inner surface of the hollow portion, including the inner surface of the closed shaft insertion hole, [[and]] has no projecting portion formed thereon.

8. (Cancelled).

9. (Currently amended) A golf club which has a grip, a golf club shaft, and a golf club head, wherein:

the golf club head comprises an outer shell member, a hollow portion surrounded by the outer shell member and a columnar neck member having a shaft insertion hole into which the golf club shaft is inserted, the hole being closed at a hollow portion side of the columnar neck member, and

an inner surface of the hollow portion includes either or both of a concave surface and a flat surface, an inner surface of the closed shaft insertion hole forms a continuous surface with either or both of said concave and flat surfaces and the entire

inner surface of the hollow portion, including the inner surface of the closed shaft insertion hole, [[and]] has no projecting portion formed thereon.

10. (Previously presented) The golf club head according to claim 7, wherein:

the outer shell member has a side member and a face member; and

the outer shell member is formed by joining the side member and the face member with a crown member by applying a pressure from inside of the hollow portion toward an outside.

11. (Previously presented) The golf club according to claim 9, wherein:

the outer shell member has a side member and a face member; and

the outer shell member is formed by joining the side member and the face member with a crown member by applying a pressure from inside of the hollow portion toward an outside.